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--Congressman Mike Pence

Our energy policy must be a national priority. We need to implement a long-term energy plan that balances supply and demand, ensures reliable and affordable supplies of energy for the future, and provides responsible stewardship of the nation's resources. The American people deserve more access to American energy. High energy prices hurt everyone, especially those with low incomes, and weaken our overall economy.

I support an "all of the above" energy strategy that reduces prices at the pump and the cost of utilities in homes and businesses. It would increase the supply of American-made energy, improve conservation and efficiency, and promote new and expanding energy technologies. An "all of the above" approach will solve our energy crisis by unlocking our nation's rich natural resources.

It is time to give the American people more access to American oil. Doing so would provide relief at the pump and allow the federal government to commit itself to helping further technologies such as wind, solar and nuclear power.

Creating a national energy tax through cap and trade legislation will not lower energy costs or create a cleaner environment. A true energy solution will allow the American people to utilize all of our domestic resources, while developing new technologies. Such a plan would lower energy costs and put the American people back to work.

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